

Rules and Regulations for the Classification of Linkspans, July 2008

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This Notice contains amendments within the following Sections of the *Rules and Regulations for the Classification of Linkspans, July 2008.* The amendments are effective on the dates shown:

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The Rules and Regulations for the Classification of Linkspans, July 2008 are to be read in conjunction with this Notice No. 2.

The status of the Rules is now:

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Section 1

1.1 Lloyd's Register (hereinafter referred to as 'LR'), which is recognised under the laws of the United Kingdom as a corporate body and a charity established for the benefit of the community, was founded in 1760. It was established for the purpose of producing a faithful and accurate Classification of Merchant Shipping classification of merchant shipping. It now primarily produces Classification Rules.

■ Section 2

2.1 LR remains the sole classification society in the LR Group. LR is managed by a Board of Trustees (hereinafter referred to as 'the Board').

The Board has:

Appointed appointed a Classification Committee and determined its powers and functions and authorised it to delegate certain of its powers to a Classification Executive and Devolved Classification Executives;

LR's Technical Committee is at present composed of a maximum of 80 members which includes:

Appeinted appointed Technical Committees and determined their powers, functions and duties.

■ Section 3

3.1

Ex (officio members:	TOTAL
•	The Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of LR	
•	The Chairman of the Classification Committee of LR.	. 4
Me	mbers Nominated by:	
•	The Beard	18
•	Technical Committee	
•	The Royal Institution of Naval Architects	. 2
•	The Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders in Scotland	2
•	The Institute of Marine, Engineering, Science and Technology	2
•	Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining	. 1
•	Honourable Company of Master Mariners	. 2
•	Institution of Engineering and Technology	1
•	Institute of Refrigeration	
•	Welding Institute	
•	The Institution of Mechanical Engineers	2
•	The Shipbuilders' and Shiprepairers' Association	
•	The Short Sea Group of the Chamber of Shipping	. 1
•	The Society of Consulting Marine Engineers and Ship Surveyors	
•	Community of European Shipyards Associations	
•	Society of Maritime Industries	
•	European Marine Equipment Council	
•	Chamber of Shipping	. 1
•	The Institute of Materials	-
•	The UK Steel Association	
•	The Honourable Company of Master Mariners	
•	The Institution of Electrical Engineers	
•	Federation of British Electrotechnical and Allied Manufacturers' Associations	. 1
•	The Technical Committee	. 18
•	The Technical Committee (from ether countries)	. 18
•	The Institute of Refrigeration	
•	International Oil Companies	
•	Association of European Shipbuilders and Shipropairers	
•	Greek Shipping Co-operation Committee	1
•	International Association of Oil and Gas Producers	1



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- 3.2 In addition to the foregoing:
- (a) Each National or Area Committee may appoint a representative to attend meetings of the Technical Committee.
- (b) A maximum of five representatives from National Administrations may, with the consent of the Technical Committee, be co-opted to serve on the Technical Committee. Such representatives Representatives from National Administrations may also be elected as members of the Technical Committee under one of the categories identified in 3.1.
- (c) Further persons may, with the consent of the Technical Committee, be co-opted to serve on the Technical Committee by the Technical Committee.
- 3.4 The function of the Technical Committee is to consider any technical problems connected with LR's business and with the exception of changes necessitated by mandatory implementation of International Conventions, Codes or Unified Requirements adopted by the International Association of Classification Societies, any proposed alterations in the existing Rules and to frame new Rules for classification as deemed necessary.
- 3.4 The function of the Technical Committee is to consider:
- (a) any technical issues connected with LR's marine business;
- (b) any proposed alterations in the existing Rules;
- (c) any new Rules for classification;

Where changes to the Rules are necessitated by mandatory implementation of International Conventions, Codes or Unified Requirements adopted by the International Association of Classification Societies these may be implemented by LR without consideration by the Technical Committee.

- 3.5 The term of office of the Chairman and of all members of the Technical Committee is five years. Members may be re-elected to serve ene an additional term of office with the approval of the Board. The term of office of the Chairman may be extended with the approval of the Board.
- 3.6 In the case of continuous non-attendance of a member, the Technical Committee may withdraw his/her membership.
- 3.7 Meetings of the Technical Committee are convened as often and at such times and places as is necessary, but there is to be at least one meeting in each year. Urgent matters may be considered by the Technical Committee by correspondence.
- 3.8 Any proposal of the Technical Committee involving any alteration in, or addition to, Part 1, Chapter 1 of Rules for Classification is subject to approval of the Board. All other proposals for additions to or alterations to the Rules for Classification other than Part 1, Chapter 1, will, following consideration and approval by the Technical Committee, either at a meeting of the Technical Committee or by correspondence, be submitted recommended to the Board for adoption.

■ Section 4

4.1 LR's Naval Ship Technical Committee (hereinafter referred to as 'the NSTC') is at present composed of up to a maximum of 50 members and includes nominous of:

Ex officio members

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of LR

Member nominated by:

- Naval Ship Technical Committee;
- The Royal Navy and the UK Ministry of Defence;
- The Defence Evaluation and Research Agency;
- UK Shipbuilders, Ship Repairers and Defence Industry;
- Overseas Navies, Governments and Governmental Agencies;
- Overseas Shipbuilders, Ship Repairers and Defence Industries;
- Various maritime bodies and institutions, nominated by the NSTC;
- The Chairman of LR and Chairman of the Classification Committee who are ex officio members.
- 4.3 All members of the NSTC Naval Ship Technical Committee are to hold security clearance from their National Authority for the equivalent of NATO CONFIDENTIAL. All material is to be handled in accordance with NATO Regulations or, for non-NATO countries, an approved equivalent. No classified material shall be disclosed to any third party without the consent of the originator.
- 4.4 The term of office of the NSTC Naval Ship Technical Committee Chairman and of all members of the NSTC Naval Ship Technical Committee is five years. Members may be re-elected to serve ene an additional term of office with the approval of the Board. The term of the Chairman may be extended with the approval of the Board.
- 4.5 In the case of continuous non-attendance of a member, the NSTC Naval Ship Technical Committee may withdraw that person's membership.

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- 4.6 The function of the NSTC Naval Ship Technical Committee is to consider technical issues connected with Naval Ship matters and to approve proposals for new Naval Ship Rules, or amendments to existing Naval Ship Rules.
- 4.7 Meetings of the NSTC Naval Ship Technical Committee are convened as necessary but there will be at least one meeting per year. Urgent matters may be considered by the Naval Ship Technical Committee by correspondence.
- 4.8 Following approval by the NSTC, details of new Rules (or amendments) will be submitted to the Board for adoption.
- 4.8 Any proposal involving any alteration in, or addition to, Part 1, Chapter 1 of Rules for Classification of Naval Ships is subject to approval of the Board. All other proposals for additions to or alterations to the Rules for Classification of Naval Ships, other than Part 1, Chapter 1, will following consideration and approval by the Naval Ship Technical Committee, either at a meeting of the Naval Ship Technical Committee or by correspondence, be recommended to the Board for adoption.
- 4.9 The Naval Ship Technical Committee is empowered to:
- (a) appoint sub-Committees or panels; and
- (b) co-opt to the Naval Ship Technical Committee, or to its sub-Committees or panels, representatives of any organization or industry or private individuals for the purpose of considering any particular problem.

■ Section 5

(Part only shown)

- 5.1 LR has the power to adopt, and publish as deemed necessary, Rules relating to Classification and has (in relation thereto) provided the following:
- (c) All reports of survey are to be made by Surveyors surveyors authorised by members of the LR Group to survey and report (hereinafter referred to as 'the Surveyors') according to the form prescribed, and submitted for the consideration of the Classification Committee.

■ Section 7

7.1 LR has the power to withhold or, if already granted, to suspend or withdraw any ship from class (or to withhold any certificate or report in any other case), in the event of non-payment of any fee to any member of the LR Group.

■ Section 8

8.1 When providing services LR does not assess compliance with any standard other than the applicable LR Rules, international conventions, and other standards agreed in writing.

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